



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD**  
**JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR**

January 23, 2018

City Council President Linda M. Morad and  
Honorable Members of the City Council  
City of New Bedford  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval the **APPOINTMENT** of Christopher A. Amaral of 1015 Leroy Street, New Bedford, MA 02745 to the Community Preservation Committee. Mr. Amaral will be replacing Arthur Motta who resigned on January 23, 2018. This term will expire in April 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Mitchell", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Jonathan F. Mitchell  
Mayor

JFM/sds

cc: Christopher Amaral

642 Coggeshall Street  
New Bedford, MA 02746  
January 23, 2018

Hon. Jon Mitchell, Mayor  
City Hall  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Mayor Mitchell,

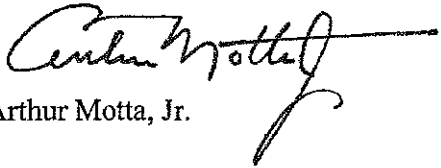
It is with regret that I tender my resignation as a member of the New Bedford Community Preservation Committee (CPC), effectively immediately.

Please know that I was honored to accept your nomination for appointment. Historic preservation is an important aspect of the work of the CPC, one that I was looking forward to advancing.

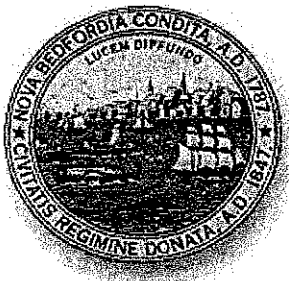
I consented to service on the CPC while employed in the private sector. However, since that time I have become employed by New Bedford Public Schools. I was recently made aware of the City of New Bedford Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article I, Section 2-11 (Ord. of 7-9-10, § 1), which prohibits my continuation on the Committee, to wit: "shall not appoint... any person employed by the City of New Bedford... to any municipal board, or commission or committee."

Having served for the last several months I witnessed the commitment and diligence with which CPC and DPHCD staff prepared in advance of the upcoming review of project submissions. I will look forward to following their activities and advocating for appropriate historic preservation projects. I am certain the CPC is poised to accomplish impactful work in historic preservation as well as in the other areas of their purview to the greater benefit of New Bedford.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arthur Motta, Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Arthur Motta, Jr.



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD  
BOARD & COMMISSION APPLICATION**

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PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

The Mayor is seeking citizens who wish to serve on City Boards and Commissions established to assist and advise the City on specific matters. Please complete this application in full (attach a resume and other information which may assist the Mayor and the City Council in making its selection) and file it with the Personnel Office. The Mayor reserves the right to reject any application. Some appointments are subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Board/Commission applying for: (see reverse side) Community Preservation Committee (CPC)

Name: Christopher A. Amaral Email: camaral1789@gmail.com

Home Telephone: (508) 998-6445 Work Telephone: (508) 264- 7478 (cell)

Residence Address: 1015 Leroy Street, New Bedford, MA Zip: 02745

Present Occupation & Place of Employment: Adjunct History Professor (Bristol Community College)

Educational Background: B.A. History, French; M.Litt (Masters) History

Memberships in Community Organizations or Professional Groups:

New Bedford Democratic City Committee (Treasurer- Ward 1)

Mass Educators Association (member)

City Boards and/or Commissions on which you have previously served:

I have no prior experience on any City Boards and/ or Commissions.

The reasons why you wish to be considered for appointment by the Mayor:

I feel the strong desire to give back to my home city and, given my academic background and work experience, I beleive that the CPC would be an ideal place in which to do just that.

Please detail specific areas of expertise:

I am an adjunct Professor of History at BCC and beleive that my knowledage and expertise in this area will be invaluable should I be appointed to the Community Preservation Committee. (See; resume)

Please detail specific areas of interest:

With my background in History, I am interested in playing a part in the rehabilitation of the city's many historical sites which is an important function of the CPC.

Available for meetings in the daytime ☐ evenings ☐ both ☒ (check one)

Resident of the City since what year: 1993

Appointees and incumbents may be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest, as required by the City Council Rules or the Mayor. The statement may require a declaration that you have no interest in conflict with the City of New Bedford. Please return your completed application to the Personnel Department, 133 William St., Room 212, New Bedford, MA 02740.

Applications will be kept on file for two years.

**I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING  
INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

Signature of Applicant: Christopher A. Amaral

Date: 1/ 19/ 2018

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### Education:

2013 -2014	University of Glasgow (Scotland, U.K.) Master of Letters (M.Litt.)- History Distinction: Graduated with Merit
2009- 2013	University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth (U.S.) Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)- History, French Minor: Philosophy Distinction: Magna Cum Laude Commonwealth Honors Scholar
2005- 2009	New Bedford High School Distinction: Graduated with Honors

### Work Experience:

July 2016- Present	Adjunct Faculty at Bristol Community College (BCC) [Division II: Behavioral and Social Sciences-History Dept.] <u>Courses Taught:</u> HST 111: The West and the World I HST 112: The West and the World II HST 113: U.S. History to 1877 HST 114: U.S. History from 1877
March- October 2017	Candidate for New Bedford City Council Ward 1
Jan. 2015- June 2016	Substitute Teacher at New Bedford High School (Full time) [Designated Mass ODST Level 4 School]
Sept.-Dec. 2012	Research Assistant to Dr. Paula Rioux of the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth History Department
Sept. 2011- May 2012	Group Facilitator of the "Writing Circle" (student run fiction writing and literary group), hosted through the Umass Dartmouth Writing and Reading Center
Sept. 2010- May 2012	Tutor at the Writing and Reading Center at Umass Dartmouth

### Licensing and Qualifications:

Jan. 08, 2015 (date issued)    Massachusetts Preliminary Teaching License- History, 5-8

Jan. 08, 2015 (date issued)    Massachusetts Preliminary Teaching License- History, 8-12

### Conferences, Grants, and Research Abroad:

Sept 2013- June 2014            Archival research at the *Archives nationales de France* in Paris, *Bibliothèque nationale (Richlieu-Louvois)*, and *University of Glasgow Archives* for Masters Dissertation

August 2012                      "Honors Program Summer Grant" awarded by UMass Dartmouth Commonwealth Honors program- Grant awarded to research the *cahiers de doléances* at the *Archives Nationales de France* in Paris

May 2012                          "Lighting the Fire Within" New England Peer Tutor Association 18th Annual Tutor Conference (NEPTA). Assumption College. Worcester, Massachusetts.

### Publications and Major Papers:

March 13, 2016                  "Paris: Revolutionary Spaces and *L'amour de la liberté*," *Travelling History*. <http://www.travellinghistory.com> [online magazine article]

Nov. 8, 2015                      "Boston: Puritans, Patriots, and Preservation," *Travelling History*. <http://www.travellinghistory.com> [online magazine article]

Sept. 15, 2014                  **Masters Dissertation:** "*Les Droits Constitutionels*: The Motivations of the Liberal Nobility in Regards to Ancien Regime Constitutionalism"  
*Supervisory Committee:*  
Michael Rapport, Ph.D. (Reader in Modern European History)  
Thomas Munck, Ph.D. (Professor in Early Modern European History)

May 21, 2012                      **Honors Undergraduate Thesis:** "*L'état qui tombe*: The Fall of the French Progressive Nobility following the Conquest of the Bastille"  
*Supervisory Committee:*  
Paula N. Rioux, Ph.D. (Assistant Professor of History)  
Michelle Cheyne, Ph.D. (Professor of French)  
Robert Pontbriand, Ph.D. (Professor of History)

### Languages:

English- Fluent; Native speaker

French- Fluent; Full professional proficiency

Portuguese- Intermediate proficiency

### Research Interests/ Areas of Specialization:

- France during the so-called "long 18<sup>th</sup> century" (c. 1689-1815)
  - French Revolution (1788-1799)
- Great Britain and Ireland from 17<sup>th</sup> to early 19<sup>th</sup> century
- Scottish Jacobitism (1689- 1745)
- Europe (generally) 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> centuries
- The Enlightenment movements across Europe and N. America
- Revolutionary America (1760- 1800)
- The Islamic World since WWI
- U.S. Politics and Government

### Professional Skills and Talents:

- Ability to communicate information well and succinctly
- Ability to analyze and synthesize large amounts of data and information into digestible concepts
- Demonstrated skill in researching and analytical thinking in order to find solutions to complex problems
- Able to quickly adapt to and operate well within new and foreign environments
- Attentive to detail and meticulous

### Honors and Awards:

Sept 2010- 2013                      University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth Dean's List (8 consecutive semesters)

May 2013                              Pi Delta Phi Honor Society (for French language scholars)

May 2012                              Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society (for History scholars)

### Memberships, Volunteer Work, and Recreational Activities:

- 'Team/ Precinct Captain' for New Bedford for the "Setti Warren for Governor" campaign (2017-present)
- Campaign volunteer for the "Hillary Clinton for President" and "Maggie Hassan for U.S. Senate" races (2016)
- New Bedford Democratic Party Committee Officer; Treasurer (Ward 1)

- Member of the Boston Athenaeum Library
- [Alumni] Member of the University of Glasgow General Council
- Freelance writer for "Travelling History" (online history magazine)